Mountain Weather Forecast

Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Saturday 15 Jul 2023 until 23:59 on Sunday 16 Jul 2023

Forecast Issued on Saturday 15 Jul 2023 at 03:50 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: Medium due to changeable, and at times unsettled conditions.

Headline for Saturday 15 Jul 2023: Cloudy start. Heavy, perhaps thundery, showers developing.

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 15 Jul 2023

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Thunderstorms
Medium Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
Low Likelihood

Strong sunlight
Medium Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Fog	Dull	Thunderstorm	Thunderstorm	Cloudy	Cloudy
Precipitation probability					
30%	20%	50%	50%	30%	20%

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Weather: Cloudy with outbreaks of rain and drizzle at first. Becoming drier for a short time during the morning with skies brightening and the cloud lifting and breaking, but some heavy showers breaking out by late morning, becoming more widespread and heavier through the afternoon and early evening with a risk of thunderstorms. The best of the sunshine likely to develop over the Islands and around the west coast, the showers most probable through the Trossachs, Rannoch Moor and Glen Coe. Becoming drier later in the evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 20% early in the day, rising to 80% in the afternoon.

Low Cloud and visibility: Extensive low cloud, base 300 to 600m, early in the day, but occasional or extensive near or above the summits through the afternoon and evening, although lower in heavy showers. Visibility moderate to very poor, becoming mostly good or very good through the afternoon and evening, but much poorer in heavy or thundery showers.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	26/32 SE	26/32 S	22/28 S	11/15 SE	6/8 S	7/10 SW	13/17 SW
900	19/25 SE	20/25 S	16/22 S	9/13 S	4/6 S	6/9 SW	10/14 SW
600	20/22 SE	19/23 S	17/22 S	9/13 SE	5/7 S	7/9 SW	11/15 SW
300	7/12 SE	11/16 S	10/16 S	7/12 SE	4/6 SE	4/7 SW	7/12 SW
Glen	4/7 E	6/13 S	7/13 S	5/10 S	3/6 NW	5/10 W	4/10 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
1300	7/1	6/1	7/2	7/4	7/5	6/4	6/3
900	9/5	9/6	11/8	10/9	10/9	9/8	8/6
600	12/8	12/8	13/10	13/11	12/12	11/10	10/8
300	14/13	14/12	15/14	16/14	15/15	14/13	12/11
Glen	15/15	16/16	18/17	18/18	16/16	15/15	14/14
Freezing Level*	2500m	2400m	2200m	2200m	2300m	2300m	2300m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Nothing further to add.

Forecast for Sunday 16 Jul 2023
Weather: Cloudy with outbreaks of rain and drizzle overnight and during the morning, heavy and persistent at times. Gradually turning drier in the south during the afternoon, skies brightening a little. Remaining cloudy with occasional rain in the evening. Windy with summit gales at times.

Maximum wind: West or Southwest 30 to 35mph gusting 50mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 20%, but rising to 50% for a time through the Trossachs and Arrochar Alps later in the afternoon and early evening.

Low Cloud and visibility: Extensive cloud at first, base 400 to 700m, rising to around 1000m at times in the south later in the day. Visibility moderate to very poor, becoming mainly good or very good in the south late afternoon and early evening.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 12 Celsius rising to 17 Celsius.
At 800m: Plus 6 to 8 Celsius
Freezing level: Above the summits.

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